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There are countless occasions throughout a man's life when he is contemplates whether willingly or not, to wear a suit. While the Mad Men days of wearing a suit to the office every morning are quickly becoming a relic of the past in many industries, important occasions still require you to don your suit and look good wearing it. You're in luck, as we've compiled some of the easiest ways for you to go from style automaton to rock star in a suit. Look no further for your guide to nailing the details and getting creative with your suit.



## It's All In The Cut

One of the first things you can do to improve your suit creativity is to pick a cut that goes a little bit beyond the average guy's comfort level. Going for a double breast suit can show that you're willing to embrace some sartorial adventure while still knowing how to look professional. A great suit to try is The Branson Suit, Double Breast from luxury New York-based menswear designer VK Nagrani. The suit has a side vented jacket with a four by two button stance and is made with 260 gram Dormeuil fabric for a lightweight, comfortable feel. It is deconstructed, slim fit and offers a very distinguished look.

## **Mix Up Your Ties**

Once you've gotten the suit you want, the next step is mixing things up with your ties. Picking out some unique styles of ties is a great way to show your personality and set yourself apart from the crowd. While red is traditionally viewed as the color to wear if you're looking to make a power play, wearing a knit tie, or a tie of another unusual material like wool can make you stand out more. While you should by no means ever invest in a novelty tie or joke tie, there are innumerable options out there for those with a discerning eye for style. Texture is essential.

Esquire's Fashion Director, Catherine Hayward has some choice words for the value of the knitted tie, "knitted ties? They are the rebellious younger brother of the tie world. Maverick, unorthodox, spirited... A knitted silk tie is a thing of simple beauty. And tied in a simple four-in-hand knot – that's the usual, basic, learn-it-at-school knot – with a traditional square tip (pointed is too fussy) will transform your ordinary, everyday work suit into an extraordinary thing."

## **Use a Pocket Square**

You might think of the pocket square as a dated accessory, but truth be told, they're making a comeback for men who wish to add a little extra color to an otherwise bland expanse of muted fabric. Adding a pocket square is a way of expressing one's style on a miniaturized scale, just showing enough flair without going overboard. The pocket square should be made from a fine material like silk or pashmina, and should you choose to wear a tie with it, they should be coordinated without matching exactly. Business Insider has a helpful video guide to folding and arrangement styles if you need some assistance with the "underrated suit accessory that no one gets right."

## Flash Your Socks

One of the other ways to inject some color into your suit is to flash a little sock. While this strategy is often underused, its growing in popularity as designers direct their attention to the quality of fabric, the brightness of color, and of course the design of the sock. By hemming one's suit trousers slightly shorter, it's easy to show off a colorful designer sock. The style guys over at GQ have pledged their allegiance to the cult of vibrant men's socks. Citing the celebrity trailblazers like Rob Kardashian and Dwayne Wade who often don creative socks, they write, "Statement socks are like a stylish man's best kept secret; they represent a level of personal care and sartorial interest that deserves nothing but respect. And the other dudes in the know? They'll notice, and be jealous of your game."

In terms of aesthetics, breaking up the pant leg, sock, and shoe sections helps to elongate the appearance of your legs and create the impression that you're taller and slimmer. And who wouldn't want that?

So there you have it, the four tips you need to get creative with your suit and look like a million bucks while you're at it. Start playing around with your suited look today!